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25 September 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: EA/TR

SUBJECT : Weekly Activities Report

1. Some months ago the Language School reported discussions with Ampex Corp. officials regarding an automated cassette duplicator being developed by Ampex. The equipment, in its less sophisticated format, would fit into our cassette program and result in a major man hours saving. Ampex was to have come up with a proposal for our consideration. I have now been advised by the Ampex people that they consider the more sophisticated, completely computerized equipment as the way they must go. The cost of this so far exceeds the cost estimate of the less sophisticated equipment as to put it completely out of range, at least for consideration over the next several years.

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2. [REDACTED] Chief, Slavic Languages Department, will return to his parent division (SB) on 30 September for a special assignment. [REDACTED] has been with IS for almost two years and has done a fine job in reorganizing the Slavic Languages Department. We are sorry to see him leave. [REDACTED] will take charge of the department until a replacement can be found.

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3. The German Department has initiated a series of formal lectures to be given the last hour of the day on Wednesdays. The lectures are designed to expose students to German expository style and provide practice in advanced listening comprehension. The first lecture was given by Mrs. [REDACTED] on German cultural patterns. Subsequent lectures will cover well-known figures in the history of espionage, biographical sketches of German leaders, and a range of topics of general interest.

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4. The IS staff was briefed this week on the Experiment in International Living's Language School (Putney, Vermont) by Miss [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] of one of our German instructors, is an FSI linguist who is about to take a post at the E.I.L. School. We were interested to hear about their intensive 3-week courses which are offered in a wide variety of languages and dialects to prepare graduate students, Peace Corps volunteers, etc. linguistically for their experiences overseas. The session was conducted informally in question-and-answer format with the intent of keeping our staff up-to-date with intensive training outside the government. We are considering the possibility of sending someone to visit the Putney school at a later date.

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5. Language School Statistics

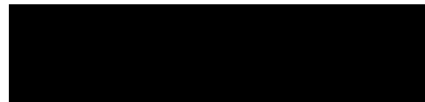
Students and Classes for the week of 25 September 1970:

<u>Students</u>	<u>Classes</u>
Full-time - 73	Full-time - 30
Part-time - 181 (98 BAHLT) (47 Hqs.)	Part-time - 46 (8 BAHLT) (10 Hqs.)

Laboratory hours for the week 14 - 18 September 1970:

Language School - 361
Headquarters - 49

Twenty-eight language proficiency tests were given during the week of 14 - 18 September 1970.



Chief, Language School

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